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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.

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This application has been examined Responsive to communication filed on $11-13-87$	This action is made final.				
A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire					
Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION: 1. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892. 2. Notice re Patent Draw 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449 4. Notice of informal Pate 5. Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474 6.	ing, PTO-948. ent Application, Form PTO-152				
Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION					
1. [X Claims 59 to 76	are pending in the application.				
Of the above, claims	are withdrawn from consideration.				
2. Claims	have been cancelled.				
3. Claims	are allowed.				
4. \(\infty\) Claims 59 to 70	are rejected.				
5. Claims					
6. Claimsare subject					
6. Claims	to restriction of election requirement.				
7. This application has been filed with informal drawings which are acceptable for examination purposes until such time as allowable subject matter is indicated.					
8. Allowable subject matter having been indicated, formal drawings are required in response to this Office action.					
9. The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on These drawings have been received on These drawings have been received on	The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on These drawings are acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation).				
	The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on has (have) been approved by the examiner. disapproved by the examiner (see explanation).				
the Patent and Trademark Office no longer makes drawing changes. It is now applicant's responsi	The proposed drawing correction, filed				
12. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has	Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has been received not been received				
13. Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.					
14. Other					

15.

Claims 59 to 62 and 64 to 69 stand finally rejected under 35 USC 102(a) over the Japanese patents Nos. 56-2336 and 55-160,044 as well as Kugele, said rejections having been upheld by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in their decision rendered June 25, 1987. Contrary to the tenor of applicants counsel's response which includes reliance on declarations by Foure, Mendelsohn, Chenard, Rakita and Larkin for the proposition that their French priority application and earliest filed U.S. application did in fact contain enabling disclosures vis-a-vis the above rejections' propriety, it should be noted that this applications ex parte prosecution was reopened in the office action dated September 30, 1987 on a limited basis. This sole basis, the rejection of previously allowed claims 63 and 70 on the ground of anticipation over newly cited Bresser et al US Patent 4,576,984 followed from the Board of Appeals recommendation under 37 CFR 1.196(d) that their allowability be withdrawn over other references on the issue of obviousness. Bresser's effective filing date is not relevant since 35 USC 101 precludes issuance of two patents having claims drawn to the same invention. The only recourse

The rejection of claims 63 and 70 over Bresser et al under 35 USC 102(e) is hereby repeated.

is by way of interference in order to avoid abandonment.

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16.

THIS ACTION IS MADF FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a). The practice of automatically extending the shortened statutory period an additional month upon the filing of a timely first response to a final rejection has been discontinued by the Office. See 1021 TMOG 35.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.

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